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The Honorable Donald J. Trump President The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W. Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write to urge you to prioritize the nomination of highly qualified, experienced candidates to fill the upcoming vacancy at the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

The CPSC's critical mission is to protect the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death resulting from the use of consumer products. This mission is achieved through robust collaboration with law enforcement, consumer product manufacturers, standards setting organizations, consumers, and other stakeholders.

For the next five months, the five-seat CPSC will operate with three Democratic Commissioners outnumbering the two Republican Commissioners. In October 2017, the Senate will be able to confirm your administration's nominee for an expiring seat on the Commission. Without such action, the Democratic Commissioner will remain in a one-year holdover term exacerbating the current imbalance.

We urge you to identify and nominate a commissioner to the CPSC as soon as practicable.

Greg Walden

Chairman

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Sincerely

Robert E. Latta

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